

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
v.	)	No.: 3:18-cr-178-TAV-HBG-1
	)	
TYWAN MONTREASE SYKES,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	
	)	

**ORDER**

This criminal matter is before the Court on defendant's pro se motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* [Doc. 134] to pursue a motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255.

An application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is unnecessary since there is no filing fee in a § 2255 proceeding. *See* E.D. Tenn. L.R. 9.3(b). *See also Gillespie v. United States*, Nos. 1:14-CV-63, 1:12-CR-24, 2014 WL 2808920, at \*1 (E.D. Tenn. June 20, 2014) (“[A]n application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is unnecessary since there is no filing fee in a § 2255 proceeding.” (citing E.D. Tenn. L.R. 9.3(b))).

Accordingly, defendant's motion [Doc. 134] is **DENIED** as unnecessary.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Thomas A. Varlan  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE